

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of FairPoint)	
Communications Missouri, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint)	
Communications for Approval of an)	<u>File No. IK-2017-0177</u>
Interconnection Agreement Under the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996.)	

**APPLICATION OF FAIRPOINT COMMUNICATIONS FOR APPROVAL
OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**

COMES NOW FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications (“FairPoint Communications”) and files its Application for Approval of an Interconnection Agreement (“Agreement”) between Comcast Phone of Missouri, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone and FairPoint Communications pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996¹ (the “Act”) and Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-28.080(1).

In support of this Application, FairPoint Communications states:

1. FairPoint Communications is a Missouri corporation with its principal Missouri office at 192 West Broadway, Peculiar, Missouri 64078. FairPoint Communications is authorized to do business in Missouri and its fictitious name is duly registered with the Missouri Secretary of State.² FairPoint Communications is a “local exchange telecommunications company” and a “public utility,” and is duly authorized to provide “telecommunications service” within the State of Missouri, as each of those phrases is defined in Section 386.020, RSMo 2000.

¹ 47 U.S.C. §252(e).

² A copy of FairPoint Communications’ Certificate of Good Standing and a copy of the registration of the fictitious name “FairPoint Communications” from the Missouri Secretary of State were filed with the Commission in Case No. TM-2006-0306, and are incorporated herein by reference pursuant to Commission Rule 4 CSR 240-2.060(1)(G).

2. All correspondence, communications, and orders and decisions of the Commission issued in this matter should be sent to:

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3. FairPoint Communications has no pending action or final unsatisfied judgments or decisions against it from any state or federal agency or court which involve customer service or rates, which action, judgment or decision has occurred within three (3) years of the date of the Application. No Missouri annual reports or assessment fees are overdue.

4. FairPoint Communications seeks approval of the Agreement submitted herewith, which has been signed by both parties. There are no outstanding issues related to the Agreement between the parties that require the assistance of mediation or arbitration.

5. The Commission must approve the Agreement unless it determines that the Interconnection Agreement (or any portion thereof) (1) discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the Agreement, or (2) the implementation of such Agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.³

6. FairPoint Communications states that the Agreement does not discriminate against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the Interconnection Agreement. FairPoint Communications further states that implementation of the Agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

WHEREFORE, FairPoint Communications respectfully requests that the Commission approve the Interconnection Agreement between FairPoint Communications and Comcast Phone of Missouri, LLC d/b/a Comcast Digital Phone.

Respectfully submitted,

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³ 47 U.S.C. §252(e)(2).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing document has been hand-delivered, transmitted by e-mail or mailed, First Class, postage prepaid, this 19th day of December, 2016, to:

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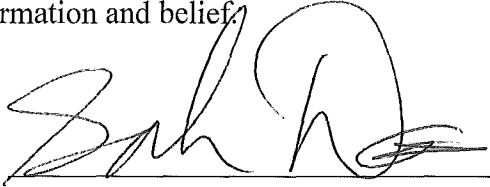
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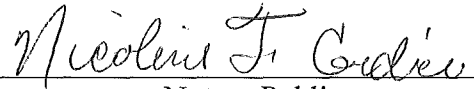
COUNTY OF Cumberland)
) ss.
STATE OF Maine)

I, Sarah A. Davis, being duly sworn upon my oath, state that I am over twenty-one, sound of mind, and am authorized to act on behalf of FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc. d/b/a FairPoint Communications regarding the foregoing document. I have read it and verify that the facts contained in it are true and correct according to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.



Sarah A. Davis

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of December, 2016.



Notary Public

NICOLINE F. CORDICE
Notary Public, Maine
My Commission Expires **September 17, 2017**

My Commission Expires: _____